

TOWN OF SAINT ANDREWS SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL W. C. O'Neill Arena Complex Theatre Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:00PM

MINUTES

RECORDING OF ATTENDANCE

A Special Meeting of Council for the Town of Saint Andrews was held on February 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Doug Naish, Deputy Mayor Henderson Councillors Guy Groulx, Edie Bishop, and Andrew Harrison. Also, present: Chris Spear, CAO, Paul Nopper Clerk – Senior Administrator.

Absent: Councillor Kate Akagi, Kurt Gumushel

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 60 - 02/20

It was moved by Councillor Groulx, seconded by Councillor Bishop and carried that the Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST NONE

PRESENTATIONS NONE

COMMUNICATION NONE

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS AND MOTIONS

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By-Law No. 19-06 Tourism Accommodation Levy
Council had an open discussion regarding the process and redevelopment of the By-Law to meet the desired methodology for implementation. Discussions focused on enhancing definitions of Tourism Development and Tourism Promotion, Section 5 regarding annual fees for registration, Section 9 regarding fund allocation and percentages, and the Schedule "A" model for implementation. Direction was provided to staff to update the By-Law No. 19-06 to reflect the discussions from the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

QUESTION PERIOD

- 1. Can penalties and enforceable measures, Under Section 11 Enforcement, be spelled out cleary for those who do not registering with the Town.
- 2. Can the Town review the HST requirements for the Levy and add to the By-Law?
- 3. Is there a way to include regulations regarding inspections of properties involved in the Tourism Accommodation Levy to ensure safety for the people renting?
- 4. Can the funds allocated for this year's program not be completely spent? Is there a way to piggy bank funds as this will be a planning year?
- 5. Once Council has approved the By-Law, can participants be provided a signed and stamped copy of the By-Law and a Letter to send to channel partners, i.e. Expedia or Booking.com, for these companies to change the pricing of accommodators?
- 6. Can the Town look into Tourism New Brunswick for funds to help with this transition to the Tourism Accommodation Levy?

COUNCILLORS' AND DEPUTY MAYOR'S COMMENTS

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CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 61 - 02/20

At 7:32 PM it was moved by Councillor Groulx, seconded by Councillor Bishop that the Meeting be adjourned.

Paul Nopper, Clerk - Senior

Administrator